

## EXHIBIT 4: Letters of Support



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March 15, 2004

Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer  
California Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100  
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Steelhead Beach Regional Park

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

I am writing on behalf of the Sonoma County Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission in support of Sonoma County's grant application for Steelhead Beach Regional Park.

Steelhead Beach Regional Park is an existing park and beach access for residents and visitors to Sonoma County. However, the popularity of the park has overwhelmed its current facilities since it opened eight years ago. This popularity by the public has heightened the need to further develop the park and provide permanent facilities to prevent harm to the river and surrounding area.

Steelhead Beach is a 26.9-acre riverfront park located near the community of Forestville in western Sonoma County. The grant proposal by the Regional Parks Department would provide permanent restrooms, showers, utilities, and a kiosk. These key amenities would enhance the health and safety of visitors to the park as well as provide the additional protection needed for the surrounding environment.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this proposal. The Parks Commission endorses the efforts to develop Steelhead Beach Regional Park through the grant proposal currently before your agency.

Sincerely,

Chair  
Sonoma County Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission

cc: Philip Sales, Park Planning & Design Administrator, Sonoma County  
Regional Parks Department

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February 11, 2004

Paul Morabito, Chairman  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, #1100  
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: **Steelhead Beach Regional Park**

Dear Chairman Morabito:

The California Coastal Conservancy is currently considering the Sonoma County's application for funds from for **Steelhead Beach Regional Park**. This funding would provide key public amenities to this popular park, one of the few existing points of public access to the Russian River. I am pleased to support this important park project.

Steelhead Beach Regional Park and River Access is a 26.9-acre riverfront park located near the community of Forestville in West Sonoma County. Opened in 1996, the popularity of the park has overwhelmed its current facilities. Heavy use by the public has heightened the need to further develop the park and prevent potential contamination to the River and surrounding area. Through this proposal permanent utilities and a kiosk will be added to enhance the health and safety of visitors as well as the surrounding environment.

Thank you for your consideration. I am pleased to support the efforts to develop Steelhead Beach Regional Park and the current grant proposal before the Conservancy. As always, I greatly appreciate your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

WESLEY CHESBRO  
State Senator, 2<sup>nd</sup> District

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cc: Philip Sales, Regional Parks Department

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